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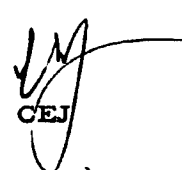
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

July 5, 1962

NOTE TO:

- ~~1. Mr. Smith~~
- 2. Mr. Bundy

Mike Forrestal left this one for my attention. I have discussed it with Seidman in BOB and with OSD staff dealing with both the security policy and national security affairs. There is agreement that the White House should specifically request the views of the Secretary of Defense. This would help in dealing with the problem of the Navy's traditional resistance to OSD intrusion in what they conceive to be their bailiwick. An OSD review of this might well be a fresh look--realistic in terms of the facts and politics of the situation.

  
 C.E.J.  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Bundy

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Bell's man, Reidman, has no problem with this handling - in fact prefers it. However, I'll talk to Valpatris' office about not sending all over the Pentagon.

Skallerup is on our side -

(DATED)  
Chuck J.